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PRESS

Issued press release on RA Stoker's visit to Copper Bluff Mine and Superfund Task Force Report anniversary: [U.S. EPA marks one-year anniversary of Superfund Task Force Report with visit to Copper Bluff Mine](#) (Contact: Michele Huitric)

Gallup Independent – [Received 7/24] (Kathy Helms) – OPEN – Reporter looking for additional information on Navajo well testing. Sent program fact sheet to Regions 6, 8 & HQ for approval. ENF, Navajo Margot Perez-Sullivan

Central Coast Public Radio – KCBX (James Reddick) [Received 7/24] - CLOSED - Reporter wants an update on the status of the proposed aquifer exemption at the Arroyo Grande Oil Field in San Luis Obispo County. Additionally, he's looking for an update on aquifer exemption applications in his area of coverage, which includes San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara and Monterey Counties. Sent approved response. WTR. SoCal/Central CA. Soledad Calvino.

KCRW (Saul Gonzalez) [Received 7/25]—OPEN—Producer would like to schedule in person interview with EPA RA. Working on getting deadline information as well as additional details on request from producer. Nahal Mogharabi.

Pacific Coast Business Times (Marissa Nall) [Received 7/20]—OPEN—Reporter is working on a story about EPA RA. Working on getting deadline information from reporter as well as some clarifying information. Nahal Mogharabi.

WEB & SOCIAL MEDIA

Social Media:

Wildfires – Posted to our [Twitter](#) page about the importance of having an evacuation plan and linked to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention [Be Ready](#) wildfires fact sheet, and tagged both the Ferguson fire and the Carr fire.

Web Updates:

Underground Injection Control – Published the November 2017 EPA letter about the San Ardo and McCool Ranch Oil Fields Aquifer Exemption Package to our [Documents: EPA's Oversight of California's Underground Injection Control \(UIC\) Program](#) page.

Navajo Nation/Abandoned Uranium Mines – Published various fact sheets and contracts-related documents to our [Navajo Nation: Cleaning Up Abandoned Uranium Mines](#) web area.

9online Updates:

News this Week – Highlighted a new [feature story](#), reminder of tonight's [emergency exercise](#), the [Wellness Quarterly](#) and an [upcoming webinar](#) on customer experience.

CONGRESSIONAL & INTERGOVERNMENTAL

Sen. John McCain (R-AZ): Brent Maier has confirmed a meeting with Austin Kennedy, Legislative Liaison in the Phoenix Office of Senator John McCain and Regional Administrator Mike Stoker on Tuesday, August 21st at 10:30am following an earlier meeting with Mayor Thelda Williams scheduled from 9:00am – 10:00am. U.S./Mexico Border issue among other topics will be discussed. Alexis Strauss will join Mike at this meeting.

Rep. Salud Carbajal (D-CA-24): At the request of Water Division's Mike Montgomery, Brent Maier has reached out to Greg Haas, District Representative; Chris Henson, District Director; and Johanna Montiel, Legislative Assistant in the Office of Congressman Salud Carbajal to schedule a follow up call for Tuesday, August 7, 2018 at 9:00am to discuss progress on the upcoming Arroyo Grande public meeting scheduled for August 23, 2018. Awaiting confirmations from Congressional staff as to their availability for this follow up call.

Congressional Outreach on One-Year Anniversary of Superfund Task Force Report and Visit to Copper Bluff Mine: Brent Maier shared today's press release with Congressional staff in the offices of Senators Dianne Feinstein and Kamala Harris and Rep. Jared Huffman announcing that EPA Regional Administrator Mike Stoker visited the Copper Bluff Mine in Humboldt County, California, this week to view first-hand the heavy metal mine waste that drains into Trinity River. The visit also marked the one-year anniversary of EPA's Superfund Task Force Report, which provided recommendations on how EPA could streamline and improve the Superfund program.

Upcoming Congressional Meetings, Hearings, Intergovernmental Meetings and Events:

Monday – Thursday, July 30 – August 2, 2018 - National Conference of State Legislators Annual Summit: The National Conference of State Legislators will host their annual summit in Los Angeles July 30-August 2. The Natural Resources and Infrastructure committee will meet to consider policy directives and resolutions. Other sessions will focus on ethanol fuels, CAFÉ standards, and drinking water safety. Steven Leonido-John will be attending some agenda sessions.

Tuesday, July 31, 2018 - Rep. Nancy Pelosi (D-CA-12): Brent Maier confirmed with Adriana Hidalgo, District Scheduler / Executive Assistant in the Office of Congresswoman Nancy Pelosi, Democratic Leader of U.S. EPA's planned participation in the Hunters Point Naval Shipyard (HPNS) briefing and tour on the morning of Tuesday, July 31st. Leader Pelosi has requested that the meeting now take place at the Federal Building in San Francisco instead of at the HPNS location. Participating for U.S. EPA will be Mike Stoker, Regional Administrator; Amy Miller, Chief of Staff; Enrique Manzanilla, Superfund Division Director; and some additional members of our Superfund management team.

Monday – Tuesday, July 30 – 31, 2018 – Rep. Tom O'Halleran (D-AZ-1): As part of a 2 week "RV-tour" by Representative Tom O'Halleran, his office has requested USEPA participation in a mine site visit of Claim 28 abandoned uranium mine in Blue Gap/Tachee chapter of Navajo Nation. Jack Jackson, Tribal Engagement Representative for the Congressman has proposed the following itinerary: July 30 (evening) – Holiday Inn, Chinle AZ – Dinner and Presentation of US EPA work on Navajo Nation AUM CERCLA work (inclusive of discussion); July 31 (morning) – Blue Gap/Tachee Chapter House, AZ - Meet at chapter house, introductions and statements; Drive to Claim 28 mine: view and discuss mine, possible tour of UNM mobile lab; Return and conclude. Invitees will/may include: Dine Uranium Remediation Advisory Commissioner Sarafina Nez; Navajo Nation Council Speaker; Navajo Nation Council Delegate Kee Allen Begay, Jr.; Chapter President Aaron Yazzie; Phase 1 Trustee, Sadie Hoskie; Phase 2 RSE Trustee, Derrith Watchman-Moore; US EPA; Navajo Nation EPA; and Navajo Nation Abandoned Mine Lands Program. SFD Lead: Freyja Knapp

Tuesday, August 21, 2018 - Phoenix Mayor Thelda Williams: Brent Maier has confirmed a meeting with Phoenix Mayor Thelda Williams and Regional Administrator Mike Stoker for Tuesday, August 21st at 9:00am – 10:00am. The meeting will take place at City Hall located 200 W. Washington St. Phoenix, AZ 85003. In addition to Regional Administrator Mike Stoker, Alexis Strauss, a senior advisor will be accompanying Mike to this meeting. Brent shared some biographical information for Regional Administrator Mike Stoker as well as a link to information about the EPA Region 9 Pacific

Southwest.

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Thursday, August 23, 2018 – Public Meeting Hosted by Congressman Salud Carbajal’s Office on Arroyo Grande Aquifer Exemption: EPA will be participating in a public meeting at the request of Congressman Carbajal’s office on Thursday, August 23, 2018 tentatively scheduled from 5:00pm – 7:30pm at a yet to be decided venue. Water Division’s Mike Montgomery and David Albright and perhaps other Water Division staff will be attending. The Congressman’s office will be extending an invite to the State’s Division of Oil and Gas and Geothermal Resources (DOGGR) as well as the Arroyo Grande Oil Field Operator.